

### **SUPPLEMENTAL EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. A supplemental examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this supplemental examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Christopher Johnson on February 6, 2009. The application has been amended as follows:

2. The following changes have been made to the application in order to input the priority at the beginning of the specification and clarify the ending of the specification.

- a) Page 1, "Background of the Invention" Section, insert the following sentence at the beginning of the Section: --- The present application is a US national stage filing under 35 USC 371 and claims priority from PCT application No. PCT/US04/20076 filed on June 21, 2004, which claims benefit of U.S. application No. 60/480,272 filed on June 20, 2003. ---
- b) Page 9, "Detailed Description" Section, delete the last sentence, " The present invention provides and can be directed to, for example, the following structure: "

3. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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***Conclusion***

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tania C. Courson whose telephone number is (571) 272-2239.

The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 7:30AM to 2PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dean Reichard, can be reached on (571) 272-1984.

The fax number for this Organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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